

AGENDA
Monday, March 22, 2010
Capitol Extension, E1.028
9:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
 - II. Committee Business
 - III. Opening Remarks
 - IV. Interim Charge 1: Review the performance and accountability of the state's charter schools. Specifically, study the following:
 - Options for increasing the number of outstanding charter schools;
 - Best practices employed by high performing charter schools and make recommendations for ways to implement these strategies in other charter and public schools;
 - Charter school initiatives in other states, specifically including incentives for public education campuses to become charter schools;
 - Options for development and funding of a charter schools facilities program.
- **Panel 1: National Perspective**
 - Todd Ziebarth, Vice President, State Advocacy and Support, National Alliance for Public Charter Schools
 - **Panel 2: Best Practices**
 - Mr. Shannon Wheatley, Founding School Leader, KIPP Sunnyside High School (KIPP Houston)
 - Mr. Chuck Cook, CEO, Responsive Education Solutions
 - Magdareli Loza de Nova, student, Premier High School
 - Nancy Grayson, Ph.D., Superintendent and Founder, Rapoport Academy Public School (Waco)
 - Laura Wheat, Mayor, Town of Westlake, and Board President, Westlake Academy
 - Yvette East, Superintendent and Principal, Houston Heights Learning Academy

- **Panel 3: Accountability/Best Practices**
 - Criss Cloudt, Ph.D., Associate Commissioner for Assessment, Accountability and Data Quality, Texas Education Agency
 - David Dunn, Executive Director, Texas Charter Schools Association
 - Chris Busse, Vice President for Quality Initiatives, Texas Charter Schools Association

- **Panel 4: Cap Issues**
 - David Anderson, General Counsel, Texas Education Agency
 - Brooke Terry, Senior Education Analyst, Texas Public Policy Foundation

- **Panel 5: Charter Conversion**
 - Nancy Manley, Executive Principal, Alternative & Charter Schools Region, Houston ISD
 - Ellen Lin, Senior Manager of New School Development, Green Dot Public Schools
 - Mr. Kelly Hurley, Cluster Director, Green Dot Public Schools

- **Panel 6: Facilities**
 - Rosemary Perlmeter, Founder, Uplift Education
 - Jeffrey D. Flores, Superintendent/Principal, Henry Ford Academy: Alameda School for Art + Design
 - Lisa Dawn-Fisher, Ph.D., Deputy Associate Commissioner For School Finance, Texas Education Agency
 - Susan K. Durso, General Counsel, Texas Public Finance Authority

V. Public Testimony

VI. Recess